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AT the Court at St. *James's*, the 21ſt Day of *February*, 1776,

PRESENT,

The KING's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to appoint William Taunton, of Stratton, Eſquire, to be Sheriff of the County of Dorſet, in the Room of John Meech, of Dorcheſter, Eſquire.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 21ſt Day of *February*, 1776,

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas the Time limited by His Majeſty's Order in Council of the 22d of November laſt, for prohibiting the Exporting out of this Kingdom, or carrying Coaſtwiſe, Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, will expire on the 23d of this Inſtant February: And whereas it is judged expedient, that the ſaid Prohibition ſhould be continued for ſome Time longer, except in thoſe Caſes where (for the Benefit and Advantage of Trade, and for the Uſe and Defence of Ships trading to Foreign Parts, and of the Tranſports and Victualling Veſſels employed in His Majeſty's Service) His Majeſty, by His ſeveral Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and of the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, and of the 5th and 19th of this Inſtant February, has thought proper to permit and allow the Exportation of and carrying Coaſtwiſe Gunpowder, Saltpetre, Arms and Ammunition, under certain Conditions and Reſtrictions mentioned in the ſaid Orders: His Majeſty doth therefore, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, hereby order, require, prohibit and command, that no Perſon or Perſons whomſoever (except the Maſter-General, Lieutenant-General, or Principal Officers of the Ordnance for His Majeſty's Service) do at any Time, during the Space of Three Months, to commence from the ſaid 23d Day of this Inſtant February, preſume to tranſport into any Parts out of this Kingdom, or carry Coaſtwiſe, any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, or ſhip or lade any Gunpowder, Saltpetre, or any Sort of Arms or Ammunition, on board any Ship or Veſſel, in order to tranſporting the ſame beyond the Seas, or carrying the ſame Coaſtwiſe, except in the Caſes compriſed within the aforementioned Orders in Council of the 13th and 27th of October, and the 6th and 22d of November, 1775, and of the 5th and 19th of this Inſtant February, without Leave or Permiſſion in that Behalf firſt obtained from His Majeſty or His Privy Council, upon Pain of incurring and ſuffering the reſpective Forfeitures and Penalties inflicted by an Act paſſed in the 29th Year of His late Majeſty's Reign, entituled, "An "Act to impower His Majeſty to prohibit the Ex- "portation of Saltpetre, and to enforce the Law for "empowering His Majeſty to prohibit the Ex- "portation of Gunpowder, or any Sort of Arms "and Ammunition; and alſo to impower His Ma- "jeſty to reſtrain the carrying Coaſtwiſe of Salt- "petre, Gunpowder, or any Sort of Arms or Am- "munition:"—And the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, the Commiſſioners for Executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Maſter General of the Ordnance, and His Majeſty's Secretary at War, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein as to them may reſpectively appertain.

G. Chetwynd.

War-Office, February 22.

WHEREAS it has been repreſented to the King, That there are at this Time ſeveral Deſerters from the different Corps in His Majeſty's Land Service, who might be induced to return to their Duty by an Offer of His Majeſty's gracious Pardon; and that ſuch an Inſtance of His Royal Clemency would have due Influence upon their future Behaviour: His Majeſty is pleaſed to grant His Free Pardon to all Deſerters from His Land Forces who ſhall ſurrender themſelves, before the 10th Day of April next, either to the Regiments to which they belong, or to ſome other Corps in His Majeſty's Service, or to any Additional Company or Recruiting Party in Great Britain or Ireland.

Such Deſerters, if ablebodied Men and fit for Service, ſhall be atteſted in the Corps to which they ſurrender, and not be liable to be claimed by any other Corps to which they may formerly have belonged.

And whereas many of the ſaid Deſerters may have inliſted in other Corps, and are now ſerving therein; His Majeſty is graciouſly pleaſed to extend to ſuch Deſerters the Benefit of this Pardon, and to direct, That they ſhall continue to ſerve in the Corps wherein they now are, and not be claimed by that in which they formerly ſerved.

And whereas ſeveral of the ſaid Deſerters have been apprehended, and are now in Gaol or in Regimental Cuſtody: His Majeſty is likewiſe pleaſed to grant to them His Free Pardon, of which they are to have the Benefit, upon their Arrival at their reſpective Regiments, or upon their being inliſted by ſome other Corps, or Recruiting Party.

Any Soldier who may deſert, after theſe His Majeſty's moſt gracious Intentions are made Public, ſhall not be included in the above Pardon, but be proceeded againſt with the utmoſt Severity.

By His Majeſty's Command,

BARRINGTON.

War-Office, February 20, 1776.

Royal Regiment of Horſe Guards, Lieutenant Guſtavus Belford is appointed to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice John Pate Lyſter; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Cornet Edward Holland to be Lieutenant, vice Guſtavus Belford; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Cornet George Fitz William, of 6th Dragoons, to be Cornet, vice Edward Holland; by Purchaſe.

7th Regiment of Dragoons, Cornet Sir Nathaniel Dukinfield to be Lieutenant, vice William Tuffnell; by Purchaſe.

1ſt Regiment of Foot Guards, Captain John Woodford to be Captain of a Company, vice Samuel Wollaſton; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Colin Campbell to be Lieutenant, vice John Woodford; by Purchaſe

Ditto, George Keene Hayward Couſſmaker, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Colin Campbell; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign —— Finch to be Adjutant, vice John Woodford.

Ditto, Captain William Charles Farrell Skeffington to be Captain of a Company, vice William Hudſon; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Cornet Henry Fitzroy Stanhope, of 15th Dragoons, to be Lieutenant, vice William Charles Farrell Skeffington; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Walter Strickland to be Lieutenant, vice Nicholas Nugent.

Ditto, Thomas Van, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Walter Strickland; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Henry Fanſhawe to be Lieutenant, vice William Leeves; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Anthony Hardolph Eyre, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Henry Fanſhawe; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, John Douglas, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Milbank; by Purchaſe.

Coldſtream Regiment of Foot Guards, Enſign William Tomkins to be Lieutenant, vice Richard Byron; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Thomas Willet Saltren to be Lieutenant, vice Henry Briſtow; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, George Mathew, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Thomas Willet Saltren; by Purchaſe.

3*d Regiment of Foot Guards*, Captain William Grinfield to be Captain of a Company, vice John Neale; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Charles Adams to be Lieutenant, vice William Grinfield; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Francis Sacheverel Stead, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Charles Adams; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Captain Sir Francis Carr Clerke to be Adjutant, vice William Grinfield.

Ditto, Captain Thomas Fowke to be Captain of a Company, vice Frederick Hollingſworth; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Arnoldus Jones Skelton to be Lieutenant, vice Thomas Fowke; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Charles Chriſtopher Vandenburg, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Arnoldus Jones Skelton; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign William Anne Douglas to be Lieutenant, vice Alexander Murray; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, George Milner, Gent. to be Enſign, vice William Anne Douglas; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Enſign Naſſau Thomas to be Lieutenant, vice Nicholas Lechmere; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, Captain-Lieutenant John Lord Kirkcudbright, of the 30th Regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice Charles Henry Cadogan.

23*d Regiment of Foot*, Second Lieutenant John Blucke to be Firſt Lieutenant, vice Onſlow Beckwith, preferred; by Purchaſe.

25*th Regiment of Foot*, Lieutenant Joſeph Stringer to be Adjutant, vice William St. Clair, who reſigns.

40*th Regiment of Foot*, George Browne, Gent. to be Enſign, vice John Gaſon; by Purchaſe.

42*d Regiment of Foot*, Gavin Drummond, Gent. to be Enſign, vice James Lees, who reſigns.

44*th Regiment of Foot*, Enſign George Kelly to be Lieutenant, vice William Stone Montgomery, preferred; by Purchaſe.

Ditto, David Boiſwell, Gent. to be Enſign, vice George Kelly; by Purchaſe.

45*th Regiment of Foot*, Lieuteuant Onſlow Beckwith, of the 23d, Foot, to be Captain, vice William Moore; by Purchaſe.

47*th Regiment of Foot*, Captain-Lieutenant George Mountain to be Captain, vice Archibald Robertſon, deceaſed.

Ditto, Lieutenant Henry Marr to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice George Mountain.

61*ſt Regiment of Foot*, Lieutenant Benjamin Stuart to be Captain, vice John Acklom; by Purchaſe.

64*th Regiment of Foot*, Thomas Freman, Gent. to be Enſign, vice Harry Hamilton; by Purchaſe.

St. James's, February 21.

This Day his Excellency the Count de Guiſnes, Ambaſſador from France, had his Audience of Leave of His Majeſty.

To which he was introduced by the Right Honourable Lord Viſcount Weymouth, One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Charles Cottrell Dormer, Knt. Maſter of the Ceremonies.

St. James's, February 22.

This Day his Excellency the Count de Guiſnes, Ambaſſador from France, had his Audience of Leave of Her Majeſty.

To which he was introduced by the Honourable Major General Fitzroy, Vice-Chamberlain to Her Majeſty, and conducted by Sir Charles Cottrell Dormer, Knt. Maſter of the Ceremonies.

St, James's, February 24.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto the Right Honorable Henry Frederick Thynne the Office of Bayliff of His Majeſty's Iſland of Jerſey.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto James Magra, Eſq; His Majeſty's Conſul in the Canary Iſlands; and his Heirs, his Royal Licence and Authority to take the Name and bear the Arms of

corded in the Heralds Office;) and alſo to order, that this His Majeſty's Conceſſion and Declaration be regiſtered in the College of Arms.

Oxford Circuit.

Mr. Juſtice *Nares*.
Mr. Baron *Burland*.

Berks, Monday March 4, at *Reading*.
Oxford, Wedneſday March 6, at *Oxford*.
Worceſter, Saturday March 9, at *Worceſter*.
City of Worceſter, The ſame Day, at the City of *Worceſter*.
Stafford, Thurſday March 14, at *Stafford*.
Salop, Monday March 18, at *Shrewsbury*.
Hereford, Friday March 22, at *Hereford*.
Monmouth, Tueſday March 26, at *Monmouth*.
Glouceſter, Thurſday March 28, at *Glouceſter*.
City of Glouceſter, the ſame Day, at the City of *Glouceſter*.

AVERAGE PRICES of CORN,

From February 12, to February 17, 1776.

By the Standard WINCHESTER Buſhel of Eight Gallons.

	Wheat.		Rye.		Barley.		Oats.		Beans.	
	s.	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*	*s.*	*d.*
London,	4	10	3	3	2	7	2	1	3	9
COUNTIES INLAND.										
Middleſex,	5	3	—		3	0	2	0	3	4
Surry,	4	11	—		2	11	2	2	3	9
Hertford,	4	9	—		3	1	2	1	3	6
Bedford,	4	8	3	7	2	9	2	0	3	1
Cambridge,	4	3	2	11	2	11	1	9	2	10
Huntingdon,	4	6	—		2	9	1	9	3	1
Northampton,	4	8	—		2	7	1	10	2	9
Rutland,	4	9	—		2	7	1	8	3	4
Leiceſter,	4	8	3	9	2	8	1	8	3	0
Nottingham,	4	5	3	6	2	9	1	8	3	2
Derby,	4	10	—		2	10	1	7	3	0
Stafford,	5	0	3	6	2	6	1	8	3	7
Salop,	4	11	3	9	2	4	1	5	3	7
Hereford,	4	6	—		2	6	1	7	—	
Worceſter,	5	2	—		2	6	1	8	3	4
Warwick,	4	11	—		2	7	1	10	3	8
Glouceſter,	5	2	—		2	9	1	11	3	5
Wilts,	4	9	—		2	8	2	0	3	10
Berks,	4	9	—		2	5	2	1	3	2
Oxford,	4	10	—		2	7	2	2	3	3
Bucks,	4	10	—		2	9	1	11	3	1
COUNTIES upon the COAST.										
Eſſex,	4	8	3	1	3	1	2	2	3	2
Suffolk,	4	5	3	1	2	9	2	0	2	8
Norfolk,	4	4	2	11	2	6	1	10	3	0
Lincoln,	4	4	3	7	2	7	1	9	3	3
York,	4	6	3	5	3	1	1	9	3	6
Durham,	4	5	3	5	3	3	1	9	4	0
Northumberland,	4	4	3	4	2	9	1	8	3	4
Cumberland,	4	6	3	4	2	9	1	6	3	8
Weſtmorland,	5	6	3	9	3	0	1	8	2	11
Lancaſhire,	5	10	—		3	2	1	10	3	4
Cheſhire,	5	0	—		2	11	1	7	—	
Monmouth,	5	2	—		2	5	1	3	—	
Somerſet,	5	0	3	4	2	8	1	8	2	10
Devon,	5	2	—		2	9	1	5	—	
Cornwall,	5	0	—		2	5	1	3	—	
Dorſet,	4	10	—		2	5	2	1	3	9
Hampſhire,	4	7	—		2	9	2	1	3	1
Suſſex,	4	6	—		2	11	2	2	4	0
Kent,	4	10	—		3	1	2	3	2	11

From February 5, to February 10, 1776.

WALES.										
North Wales,	4	11	4	0	2	6	1	4	3	2
South Wales,	4	11	3	11	2	8	1	4	2	9

Part of SCOTLAND.

Wheat.	Rye.	Barley.	Oats.	Beans.	Big.
3 11	—	2 4	1 7	2 3	1 10

Publiſhed by Authority of Parliament,
Will^m Cooke.

A General Court of the Right Worſhipful the Levant Company will be held at Salters Hall, on Tueſday the 19*th of March next, to conſider of making a Bye-Law.* T. F. Forſter, *Secretary*.

Admiralty-Office, February 13, 1776.

THESE are to give Notice, that a General Court of the Governors of the Charity for the Relief of Poor Widows of Commiſſion and Warrant Officers of the Royal Navy, will be held at this Office on Thurſday the 29*th Inſtant, in order to chuſe Two Vice-Preſidents and Fifteen Aſſiſtants, for the Year enſuing.*

Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be shut on Thursday the 7th of March next, at Two o'Clock.

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Wednesday the 20th of March next, at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon.

That the Lists of the Members of the said Company will be ready to be delivered at their House in Leadenhall-street, on Friday the 29th of said March.

And that the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be opened again on Tuesday the 16th of April next.

East-India House, February 21, 1776.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies, do hereby Notice,

That the Transfer Books of the East-India Annuities will be shut on Friday the 8th of March next, at Two o'Clock, and opened again on Wednesday the 17th of April following.

And that the Dividend Warrants, due the 5th of April, will be ready to be delivered on Thursday the 2d of May next.

East-India House, February 21, 1776.

THE Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall-Street, on Saturday the 13th of April next, from Nine o'Clock in the Morning until Eight in the Evening, for the Election of Six Directors of the said Company, for four Years, in Pursuance of an Act passed in the 13th Year of His present Majesty's Reign.

And the said Court do further give Notice, that by the above-mentioned Act, no Person will be entitled to vote at the said Election who shall not have been possessed in his or her own Right of 1000l. Stock for Twelve Calendar Months, except in the Cases provided for in the said Act; that every Person possessed in like Manner of 3000l. Stock will be entitled to give two Votes; that every Person possessed in like Manner of 6000l. Stock will entitled to give three Votes; and that every Person possessed in like Manner of 10000l. Stock, or more, will be entitled to give four Votes, at the said Election; and that no Person in any Circumstance will be qualified to vote, unless for Stock standing in his or her own Name.

Navy-Office, February 14, 1776.

THE Principal Officers and Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy give Notice, that such Persons as are willing to serve in His Majesty's Ships, in the Capacity of Surgeons Mates, shall, upon their Application at this Office, have Letters for their being examined at Surgeons-Hall; and, if found qualified, be immediately employed according to such Qualifications as shall be given from thence.

They shall receive Two Months Pay Advance in the Ships where they shall be appointed to serve, before they proceed to Sea.

THE Court of Assistants of the Russia Company give Notice, that the Annual General Court of the said Company will be held at the Office of the Corporation for Seamen in the Merchants Service over the Royal Exchange, on Friday next being the 1st Day of March, 1776, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, for the Election of a Governor, Consuls, Assistants, and other Officers for the Year ensuing.

M. Sierra, *Secretary.*

Marine Society's Office, February 23, 1776.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Annual General Court of this Corporation will be held at this Office, on Thursday the 29th Instant, at One o'Clock in the Afternoon precisely, to proceed to the Election of a President, Vice-Presidents, and other Officers, for the Year ensuing; at which Time the said Governors are desired to attend.

By Order of the Committee,
Tho. Knolles Gosnell, *Clerk.*

and passed in the 12th Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for enabling the Lord Bishop of Durham, and his Successors, to raise a competent Sum of Money, to be applied for repairing, rebuilding, or improving such Part of Tyne Bridge as belongs to the See of Durham; Notice is hereby given, that the Trustees named in the said Act intend to sell Two Annuities of 50l. each, for any Life, being of the Age of 35 Years or upwards, to the best Bidder, Regard being had to the Age and Health of the Nominee. Any Person desirous of purchasing such Annuities, or any one of them, may deliver in Proposals in Writing, at the Chambers of Mr. Thomas Lloyd, in Holborn-court, Gray's-inn, signifying what he or she is willing to give for the said Annuities, or one of them, and the Age and Health of the proposed Annuitant. N. B. The said Annuities to be raised, pursuant to the above-mentioned Act, are chargeable upon, and payable out of, the Rents, Revenues and Profits, of the See of Durham.

CHARLES and Thomas Reynolds, (Sons of Anthony Reynolds, formerly of Howe in the County of Norfolk, Gentleman, deceased) and Mary, Wife of George Camfield, if living, may be informed of somewhat to their Advantage, by immediate Application in Person, or by Letters, Post paid, to Mr. William Pue, Attorney at Law, in Norwich.

SHIP DEBTS.

ALL Persons having any lawful Claim or Demand upon or against the Brigantine or Vessel called the Good Intent, belonging to the Port of Scarborough in the County of York, late the Property of Mr. John Robinson, whereof William Glover heretofore, and Benjamin Fowler late, was Master, are desired to send an Account thereof to Mr. Hebb, Attorney at Law, in Scarborough, or to Mr. Thomas Hewson, Merchant, at Hull, on or before the 1st Day of May next.

PUrsuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors and Legatees of Margaret Floyer, late of Dorchester in the County of Dorset, Spinster, are to come in and prove their several Debts and claim their respective Legacies before Edward Leeds, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, London, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

PUrsuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, the Creditors of Richard Hitchings, late of Cirencester in the County of Gloucester, Gentleman, are to come in and prove their several Debts before Edward Leeds, Esq; one of the Masters of the said Court, at his Chambers in Lincoln's-inn, London, or in Default thereof they will be excluded the Benefit of the said Decree.

TO be sold to the best Bidder, on Saturday the 9th Day of March next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, at Guildhall, London, before the major Part of the Commissioners in the Commission of Bankruptcy awarded against Edward Beazly, The Remainder of the said Bankrupt's Term of and in the several Premises, with the Appurtenances, situate in Bermondsey-Street, Southwark, late in the Occupation of the said Bankrupt. For further Particulars apply to Messr. Winbolt and Son, Attorneys, in Tokenhouse-Yard, London.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued forth against Eliezer Chater and David Rivers, late of Lombard Street, London, Bankers and Copartners, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupts Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 5th Day of March next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Paul's Head Tavern in Cateaton-Street, London, on special Affairs relating to the said Bankrupts Estate.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Joseph Bradley, of the Borough of Kidderminster in the County of Worcester, Silk and Worsted Manufacturer, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate, on Wednesday the 13th of March next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Angel Inn in Kidderminster aforesaid, in order to assent to or dissent from the Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending, any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for Recovering any Part of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto, and on other special Affairs.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Edward Stamford, late of Swan-Alley Coleman-Street, London, Warehouseman, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Wednesday the 28th Day of February Instant, at Six o'Clock in the Evening, at the Baptist-Head Coffee-house in Aldermanbury, London, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending any Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity concerning the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto.

THE Creditors who have proved their Debts under a Commission of Bankrupt awarded and issued against Thomas Ward, late of Blackman-Street in the Parish of St. Mary Newington in the County of Surry, Brandy-Merchant, Dealer and Chapman, are desired to meet the Assignees of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects, on Tuesday the 27th of February instant, at Six o'Clock in the Evening, at Mr. Tugwell's, the Sign of the Plough, in Leadenhall-Street, in order to assent to or dissent from the said Assignees commencing, prosecuting, or defending, one or more Suit or Suits at Law or in Equity for the Recovery of any Part of the said Bankrupt's Estate and Effects; or to their compounding, submitting to Arbitration, or otherwise agreeing, any Matter or Thing relating thereto; and on other special Affairs.